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20**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)**Docket No. (Optional)
MDSP-P02-180

In re Application of Austin et al.

Application Number 09/491982 Filed January 27, 2000

For: OSTEOPOROSIS TREATMENT

Group Art Unit 1646 Examiner P.M. Mertz

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This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.

The requested extension and appropriate non-small-entity fee are as follows
(check time period desired):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1)) | \$ _____ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2)) | \$ 410.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3)) | \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4)) | \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5)) | \$ _____ |

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown above is reduced by one-half, and the resulting fee is: \$ _____

- A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.
- Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.
- The Commissioner has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 18-1945

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I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.

I am the applicant/inventor.

- assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71.
Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96).
- attorney or agent of record.
- attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34(a).

Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34(a) 50,306

March 6, 2003

Date

Signature

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Typed or Printed Name

NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | 1 | forms are submitted. |
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Dated: 3/6/03 Signature: Joanne Ryan (Joanne Ryan)